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Dear Phog:-

I am writing this without taking a breath after receiving your letter. I got the telegram Saturday. I asked Mr. Shelley, mgr of Strath Haven Inn to write you air mail right away. You will have the letter by this time. It strikes me that Shelley may have the dates mixed and is expecting you this week end. Don't worry about it. I'll straighten it out that you are coming that week end after Christmas.

Strath Haven Inn is an old family hotel, a big sprawly place with lots of lawn and old trees. It stands up above Crum Creek. It is about a block from the Fieldhouse. It has a recreation room and I think about every accomodation you will want. The food is reputed excellent and Mr. Shelley is a good friend of mine and will do everything to make you all comfortable and happy. About transportation: Bill Stetson and I can easily use our cars. The Inn has a station wagon for a very small rental. I can get all the cars we need to haul you in to the Hall. So don't worry about it; we'll work out the details when you arrive. Trains run close to the Hall, too.

Now -- here is a command, not a request. If Mrs. Allen and your daughters come with you, they are to stay at our house. No back sass. We've just done the house over and are dying to have new people come and say, "My, your house looks nice." That is the password. Helen joins with me in this command invitation, and Helen always has her way. We'll say no more about that, but will expect the distaff side of the Allen family at our house.

Phog, let me know if you intend to catch a night train to Philly after the Fordham game. I want to make all arrangements to pilot you to Swarthmore. The K.U. boys and girls are all planning on being out in force for the game. We can really holler over our basketball teams.

From now on, Phog, just express your desires and we'll take care of this end of it. Bill Stetson repeats all his offers and ~~certainly~~ wants to meet and chat with you. He's a grand feller.

Good luck, Phog

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